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This is a request for filing a new PATENT APPLICATION under Rule 53(b) entitled:

**BLACK IRON-BASED PARTICLES AND BLACK TONER CONTAINING THE SAME**

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This application is made by the below identified inventor(s). Attached hereto are the following papers:

- ☐ Newly executed Declaration, ☐ Copy of Declaration from prior application, ☒ Abstract  
☐ Please delete the following inventors in the continuation/division/continuation-in-part application:

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60 pages of specification and claims (including 17 numbered claims), and  
4 sheets of accompanying drawing/s.

☐ Attached is a Power of Attorney.

☒ Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on the following foreign applications:

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, respectively, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application..

- ☐ Certified copy(ies) of foreign application(s) is/are attached.  
☐ Certified copy(ies) filed on \_\_\_\_\_ in prior application no. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Petition filed in prior application to extend its life to insure co-pendency.  
☐ The prior application is assigned to  
☐ Applicant claims "small entity" status. ☐ "Small entity" statement attached.  
☒ Please enter the attached and/or below preliminary amendment prior to calculation of filing fee:

- ☐ Also attached: ☐ Information Disclosure Statement; ☐ Non-Publication Request; ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission; ☐ Statement deleting inventor(s) named in prior application; ☐ Other:

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